Press Release

New program awards $75,500.00 to New Brunswick Arts Groups

Arts grants recipients
New Brunswick Arts Board

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FREDERICTON – The New Brunswick Arts Board announced today the results of the latest competition for the Arts Scholarships, the Artist-in-Residence and the new pilot Presentation program .
The Arts Scholarships program is designed to recognize and encourage New Brunswick students and arts professionals who have demonstrated exceptional artistic talent and potential, and who are pursuing a career in the arts. The Artist-in-Residence Program is intended for New Brunswick public or private institutions and organizations that wish to host professional artists in order to enable them to pursue specific projects relating to their creative work. The Presentation Program is designed to provide assistance to organisations presenting the work of professional New Brunswick artists to the public.

Under the Arts Scholarship program, a total of 49 applications qualified for the juried competition and a total of $57,500 was awarded to the 26 successful applicants:

Dance: Julie Duguay, Beresford, $2,500; Danielle Gauvin, Riverview, $1,000; Georgia Rondos, Clifton Royal, $1,000; Mylène Savoie, Moncton, $2,500; Neil Sochasky, St. Andrews, $2,500; Aarik Jonathan Wells, Piccadilly, $2,500;

Film and Video: Fabien Melanson, Cap-Pele $1,000; Andrew Stretch, Riverview $2,500;

Literary Arts: Rose Després, Moncton $2,500; Jim Johnson, Northampton $2,500;

Music: Jonathan Addleman, Keswick Ridge, $2,500; John Boulay, Belledune, $2,500; Measha Ann Brueggergosman, Fredericton, $2,500; Gregory Gallagher, Rothesay, $1,000; Justin André LeBlanc, Moncton, $2,500; Jessica McCormack, Saint John, $2,500; Denis Melanson, Edmundston, $2,500; Katherine Riding, Fredericton, $2,500; Sally Wright, Moncton, $1,000;

Theatre: Emily Bartlett, Saint John, $2,500;

Visual Arts: Christian Bourque, Dieppe $2,500; Hazel Elizabeth Hatch, Fredericton $2,500; Joel Hooper, Fredericton, $2,500; Tim McDonough, St. John, $2,500; Stephanie McNair, Sussex Corner, $2,500; Deanna Musgrave, Sackville, $2,500;

Under the Artist-in-Residence program, a total of 11 applications qualified for the juried competition and a total of $70,000 was awarded to the 9 successful applicants:

Literary Arts: University of New Brunswick, Department of English, Fredericton (John Steffler), $7,000;

Theatre: Théâtre l'Escaouette, Moncton(Louis-Dominique Lavigne) $5,000;
Théâtre populaire d'acadie, Caraquet (Denis Richard) $5,000;

Music: Centre for Musical Arts, UNB, fredericton (Peter Allen) $9,000;
Faculté des Arts, Université de Moncton, Moncton (Quatuor Arthur-LeBlanc) $20,000;
University of New Brunswick, Saint John (Saint John String Quartet) $9,000;

Visual arts: Gallery Connexion, Fredericton(Sylvia Ptak), $2,000; Struts Gallery, Sackville (Carl Zimmerman, Goody-B. Wiseman, Peter Flemming), $6,000;

Under the Presentation program, a total of 20 applications qualified for the juried competition and a total of $ 75,500 was awarded to the 8 successful applicants:

Craft:
The NB Craft Council of Fredericton was awarded $11,200 to commission six quilts that will incorporate NB craft design as primary motifs to celebrate the history of craft design in New Brunswick.

Literary Arts:

The Festival Littéraire Northrop Fry Literary Festival Inc of Moncton, will receive $6,000 to highlight the re-publication of a major piece of Acadian literary heritage: *Le pique-nique* by Rino Morin Rossignol.

Music:

The NB Summer Music Festival was awarded $6,300 and will offer a free public concert in downtown Fredericton with 16 classical performers.

Theatre:

The Société du Monument Lefebvre, Memramcook was awarded $7,000 and will create a play through improvisional workshops on a theme relevant to the valley and performed by people of the area.

Visual arts :

Galerie Sans Nom will receive $14,000 to work with Down-to-Earth, a social-ecological group, and call upon NB professional artists to comment on consumer trends through their work. Film Zone of Moncton has been awarded $7,000 to commission sculptor André Lapointe to design an award statuette for the International Festival of French Cinema in Acadia. The 6th Atlantic Festival of Visual Arts in Caraquet receives $14,000 and will challenge twelve professional artists to work live to create a work of art on a theme.

Multidisciplinary :

The Centre culturel Aberdeen was awarded $10,000 to organize workshops for young people in collaboration with a group of artists from the centre.

The juried programs are administered by the New Brunswick Arts Board. The deadline for applications was February 1, 2001. The jurors were selected from a list of respected artists approved by the New Brunswick Arts Board. The multidisciplinary jury met on April 26, 27 and 28, 2001 and evaluated the applications according to the program criteria.

Jury members for this competition included:

Heather Brown, Sussex (English-language literary arts); Christiane St-Pierre, Caraquet (French-language literary arts); Lynne Surette, Moncton (theatre); David Ward, Charlottetown, P.E.I (film and video and out-of-province juror); Patrick Polchies, Kingsclear First Nation (craft and visual arts); Stephen Peacock, Fredericton (music); Céline Paquet, Moncton (dance).

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